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## WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1957

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## POPULATION ESTIMATES

## Whole State at 30th June, 1957 -

Males - 355,720

Females - 336,162

Persons - 691,882

## Metropolitan Area at 30th June, 1957 -

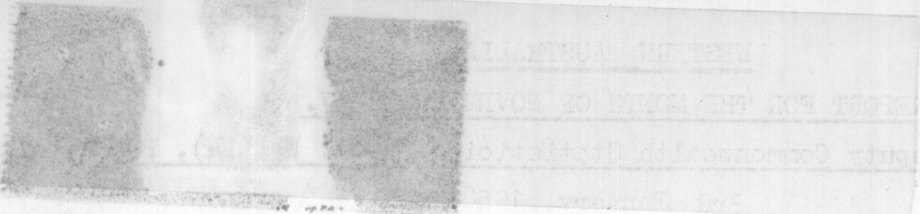
Persons - 376,000

## MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS - WESTERN AUSTRALIA

	OCTOBER		Ten Months ended OCTOBER	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
Marriages - Number	476	474	4,122	4,249
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	8.06	8.21	7.17	7.54
Births - Number	1,645	1,549	14,311	14,410
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	27.85	26.84	24.89	25.56
Deaths - Number	483	506	4,468	4,783
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	8.18	8.77	7.77	8.49
Infant - Number	23	27	298	328
Mortality & Rate per 1,000 Live Births	13.98	17.43	20.82	22.76
<u>PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH</u>				
Tuberculosis	4	2	28	39
Malignant neoplasms	66	59	682	676
Diabetes mellitus	5	8	56	59
Diseases of blood, etc.	2	1	13	10
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc.	58	53	489	580
Diseases of the heart	154	168	1,348	1,503
Hypertension with heart disease	9	13	124	130
Hypertensive disease without mention of heart	8	11	57	61
Arteriosclerosis	23	14	120	134
Influenza	10	5	34	15
Pneumonia	20	19	183	194
Bronchitis	3	7	57	54
Other respiratory diseases	8	13	64	71
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	2	30	28
Gastro-enteritis and colitis	2	-	12	12
Chronic enteritis and ulcerative colitis	2	2	6	7
Cirrhosis of the liver	1	3	20	21
Nephritis and nephrosis	6	8	62	66
Diseases of the prostate	8	4	49	47
Maternal causes	1	-	5	7
Diseases of early infancy	14	14	176	188
Motor Vehicle accidents	7	20	122	160
Other accidents	7	22	145	185
Suicide	10	12	76	84
All other causes	54	46	510	452
Total:	483	506	4,468	4,783

\* Equivalent Annual Rate.

&amp; Deaths under one year.



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1	Wheat	100	100
2	Barley	50	50
3	Oats	30	30
4	Ryegrass	20	20
5	Lucerne	10	10
6	Alfalfa	10	10
7	Timothy	10	10
8	Straw	10	10
9	Hay	10	10
10	Stock	10	10
11	Sheep	10	10
12	Cattle	10	10
13	Pigs	10	10
14	Poultry	10	10
15	Other	10	10

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Total for 1934 - 1,000,000

Total for 1933 - 1,000,000

Total for 1932 - 1,000,000

Total for 1931 - 1,000,000

Total for 1930 - 1,000,000

Total for 1929 - 1,000,000

Total for 1928 - 1,000,000

Total for 1927 - 1,000,000

Total for 1926 - 1,000,000

Total for 1925 - 1,000,000

Total for 1924 - 1,000,000

Total for 1923 - 1,000,000

Total for 1922 - 1,000,000

Total for 1921 - 1,000,000

Total for 1920 - 1,000,000

Total for 1919 - 1,000,000

Total for 1918 - 1,000,000

Total for 1917 - 1,000,000

Total for 1916 - 1,000,000

Total for 1915 - 1,000,000

Total for 1914 - 1,000,000

Total for 1913 - 1,000,000

Total for 1912 - 1,000,000

Total for 1911 - 1,000,000

Total for 1910 - 1,000,000

Total for 1909 - 1,000,000

Total for 1908 - 1,000,000

Total for 1907 - 1,000,000

Total for 1906 - 1,000,000

Total for 1905 - 1,000,000

Total for 1904 - 1,000,000

Total for 1903 - 1,000,000

Total for 1902 - 1,000,000

Total for 1901 - 1,000,000



### LAND SETTLEMENT

Land taken up under conditional alienation during the eleven months ended November, 1957, totalled 824,982 acres, an increase of 151,389 acres on the corresponding period last year. Pastoral, special and miscellaneous leases registered amounted to 5,763,958 acres, an increase of 1,887,112.

### STATE GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

Item	NOVEMBER		Five Months ended NOVEMBER	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
	£.	£.	£.	£.
Revenue	4,096,503	4,566,796	20,816,889	18,917,142
Revenue per Head of Population	5. 17. 7	6. 13. 9	29. 19. 1	27. 16. 1
Expenditure	4,629,862	4,268,425	23,946,107	20,934,406
Expenditure per Head of Population	6. 12. 10	6. 5. 0	34. 9. 1	30. 15. 4

### SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances at the end of November, 1957, amounted to £65,105,302 or £93-5-6 per head of population as against £61,396,351 or £89-16-8 per head at the end of November, 1956.

### BANK CLEARANCES

The average weekly clearance for the four weeks ended 27th November, 1957, amounted to £16,632,169 compared with £15,265,877 for the corresponding period last year.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		NOVEMBER		Five Months ended NOVEMBER	
		1957	1956	1957	1956
Transfers	No.	1,675	1,352	8,620	7,244
	£.	2,979,415	2,082,925	14,016,237	10,202,941
Mortgages	No.	1,171	1,079	6,435	5,219
	£.	2,394,888	1,882,469	13,134,031	9,464,259
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	918	793	4,790	4,054

### SALES TAX: SALES OF TAXABLE AND EXEMPT GOODS

#### AND TAX COLLECTED

Period of Receipt of Returns	Taxable Goods		Sales of Exempt Goods	Tax Collected
	Sales in respect of which Tax is Payable (Net)	Sales in respect of which Tax is NOT Payable (Gross)		
	£.	£.	£.	£.
November, 1957	4,247,355	3,722,553	11,009,726	659,936
November, 1956	3,344,580	2,252,917	10,088,058	573,693
Five months ended November, 1957	17,892,523	14,772,284	52,341,015	2,697,368
Five months ended November, 1956	16,527,420	10,929,985	48,147,712	2,443,428



# COMPANIES REGISTERED

116 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £4,996,000 and 48 Foreign Companies were registered during the five months ended November, 1957. Registrations for the corresponding period last year comprised 86 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £6,403,000 and 40 Foreign Companies.

## BANKRUPTCY

Item	Five Months ended NOVEMBER					
	1957			1956		
	No.	Liabilities £.	Assets £.	No.	Liabilities £.	Assets £.
Sequestration Orders	44	106,833	49,220	44	114,198	124,819
Deeds of Assignment (a)	46	174,672	154,603	40	150,524	186,745
Deeds of Arrangement	-	-	-	-	-	-

(a) Includes Compositions and Schemes of Arrangement.

## TRANSPORT

The operations of the State Government Railways, open for General and Passenger traffic, were as follows:-

Item	OCTOBER		Four Months ended OCTOBER	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
Gross Earnings (a)* £.	1,140,000	1,396,200	4,376,900	5,205,000
Working Expenses (a) £.	1,277,724	1,456,434	4,957,358	5,329,348
Train Miles Run No.	626,272	766,521	2,492,470	3,071,848
Motor Bus Miles Run No.	(b) 110,039	(b) 128,446	(c) 416,169	(c) 435,211
<u>Passenger Journeys -</u>				
Train No.	1,209,940	1,159,353	4,918,778	4,526,153
Motor Bus No.	26,423	28,567	100,462	105,984
<u>Tonnage Carried</u>				
Paying Goods	269,597	363,339	1,078,099	1,497,457
Livestock	19,433	23,347	57,489	63,266
Departmental (Free Freight)	53,626	65,641	207,260	241,010
Total:	342,656	452,327	1,342,848	1,801,733
<u>Net Ton Mileage of -</u>				
Paying Goods	43,922,433	58,769,077	180,908,087	245,093,086
Livestock	2,682,079	2,876,042	8,140,912	8,553,270
Departmental (Free Freight)	5,533,167	7,677,157	22,905,812	29,208,709
Total:	52,137,679	69,322,276	211,954,811	282,855,065

(a) Includes operations of the Railway Road Service.

(b) Four weeks ended 12th October.

(c) Period ended October.

\* Figures liable to revision.



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MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS  
(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Entire State (a)			
	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year 1952	4,088	2,006	74	1,121	8,078	5,549	115	1,939
Year 1953	4,460	1,869	57	746	8,166	5,071	76	1,239
Year 1954	6,499	2,487	34	736	11,667	6,083	70	1,267
Year 1955	6,852	2,533	18	701	11,612	5,606	59	1,130
Year 1956	5,219	1,856	24	724	9,067	4,582	85	1,057
<u>1957 -</u>								
January	376	99	-	82	684	250	5	122
February	471	114	-	83	769	261	8	116
March	419	168	2	78	690	418	4	112
April	414	169	4	84	696	432	5	127
May	581	177	2	67	961	409	5	113
June	398	153	1	51	761	343	2	75
July	485	187	6	71	882	395	8	112
August	409	231	3	65	769	452	6	96
September	474	169	4	88	806	391	6	112
October	563	225	1	87	965	474	3	122

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Entire State (a)			
	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<u>1955 -</u>								
June	55,720	22,694	555	9,605	90,255	62,753	1,138	14,662
December	59,374	23,666	562	9,342	95,014	63,128	1,148	14,041
<u>1956 -</u>								
June	61,835	24,169	569	9,253	98,875	64,430	1,196	13,873
December	64,158	24,641	573	9,133	101,708	64,765	1,209	13,551
<u>1957 -</u>								
January	64,665	24,724	569	9,162	100,818	62,770	1,109	12,990
February	64,766	24,703	569	9,114	101,940	63,853	1,204	13,266
March	64,839	24,656	571	9,070	102,628	64,485	1,212	13,378
April	65,184	24,561	576	9,119	102,327	63,697	1,212	13,163
May	65,369	24,485	576	9,071	103,555	64,542	1,219	13,350
June	65,013	24,354	580	8,770	103,788	64,806	1,224	13,146
July	66,611	24,648	582	8,636	103,890	63,064	1,221	12,550
August	66,632	24,545	589	8,526	104,271	63,181	1,231	12,471
September	66,555	24,320	594	8,329	104,524	63,170	1,238	12,298
October	66,996	24,376	596	8,367	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

- (a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.  
(b) Not available.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA)

Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	OCTOBER		Four Months ended OCTOBER		OCTOBER		Four Months ended OCTOBER	
	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956
Oversea	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000
Interstate	3,624	3,237	14,927	13,864	12,765	14,143	34,638	40,761
	9,128	8,578	31,837	30,294	2,742	3,775	13,573	14,258
Total	12,752	11,815	46,764	44,158	15,507	17,918	48,211	55,019

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**WATER RESOURCES DIVISION**  
**WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH CENTER**

Station	Year	Month	Day	Time	Flow (cfs)	Stage (ft)	Remarks
1	1960	1	1	08:00	100	10.0	
1	1960	1	2	08:00	105	10.1	
1	1960	1	3	08:00	110	10.2	
1	1960	1	4	08:00	115	10.3	
1	1960	1	5	08:00	120	10.4	
1	1960	1	6	08:00	125	10.5	
1	1960	1	7	08:00	130	10.6	
1	1960	1	8	08:00	135	10.7	
1	1960	1	9	08:00	140	10.8	
1	1960	1	10	08:00	145	10.9	
1	1960	1	11	08:00	150	11.0	
1	1960	1	12	08:00	155	11.1	
1	1960	1	13	08:00	160	11.2	
1	1960	1	14	08:00	165	11.3	
1	1960	1	15	08:00	170	11.4	
1	1960	1	16	08:00	175	11.5	
1	1960	1	17	08:00	180	11.6	
1	1960	1	18	08:00	185	11.7	
1	1960	1	19	08:00	190	11.8	
1	1960	1	20	08:00	195	11.9	
1	1960	1	21	08:00	200	12.0	
1	1960	1	22	08:00	205	12.1	
1	1960	1	23	08:00	210	12.2	
1	1960	1	24	08:00	215	12.3	
1	1960	1	25	08:00	220	12.4	
1	1960	1	26	08:00	225	12.5	
1	1960	1	27	08:00	230	12.6	
1	1960	1	28	08:00	235	12.7	
1	1960	1	29	08:00	240	12.8	
1	1960	1	30	08:00	245	12.9	
1	1960	1	31	08:00	250	13.0	

Station	Year	Month	Day	Time	Flow (cfs)	Stage (ft)	Remarks
2	1960	2	1	08:00	255	13.1	
2	1960	2	2	08:00	260	13.2	
2	1960	2	3	08:00	265	13.3	
2	1960	2	4	08:00	270	13.4	
2	1960	2	5	08:00	275	13.5	
2	1960	2	6	08:00	280	13.6	
2	1960	2	7	08:00	285	13.7	
2	1960	2	8	08:00	290	13.8	
2	1960	2	9	08:00	295	13.9	
2	1960	2	10	08:00	300	14.0	
2	1960	2	11	08:00	305	14.1	
2	1960	2	12	08:00	310	14.2	
2	1960	2	13	08:00	315	14.3	
2	1960	2	14	08:00	320	14.4	
2	1960	2	15	08:00	325	14.5	
2	1960	2	16	08:00	330	14.6	
2	1960	2	17	08:00	335	14.7	
2	1960	2	18	08:00	340	14.8	
2	1960	2	19	08:00	345	14.9	
2	1960	2	20	08:00	350	15.0	
2	1960	2	21	08:00	355	15.1	
2	1960	2	22	08:00	360	15.2	
2	1960	2	23	08:00	365	15.3	
2	1960	2	24	08:00	370	15.4	
2	1960	2	25	08:00	375	15.5	
2	1960	2	26	08:00	380	15.6	
2	1960	2	27	08:00	385	15.7	
2	1960	2	28	08:00	390	15.8	
2	1960	2	29	08:00	395	15.9	
2	1960	2	30	08:00	400	16.0	
2	1960	2	31	08:00	405	16.1	

Station	Year	Month	Day	Time	Flow (cfs)	Stage (ft)	Remarks
3	1960	3	1	08:00	410	16.2	
3	1960	3	2	08:00	415	16.3	
3	1960	3	3	08:00	420	16.4	
3	1960	3	4	08:00	425	16.5	
3	1960	3	5	08:00	430	16.6	
3	1960	3	6	08:00	435	16.7	
3	1960	3	7	08:00	440	16.8	
3	1960	3	8	08:00	445	16.9	
3	1960	3	9	08:00	450	17.0	
3	1960	3	10	08:00	455	17.1	
3	1960	3	11	08:00	460	17.2	
3	1960	3	12	08:00	465	17.3	
3	1960	3	13	08:00	470	17.4	
3	1960	3	14	08:00	475	17.5	
3	1960	3	15	08:00	480	17.6	
3	1960	3	16	08:00	485	17.7	
3	1960	3	17	08:00	490	17.8	
3	1960	3	18	08:00	495	17.9	
3	1960	3	19	08:00	500	18.0	
3	1960	3	20	08:00	505	18.1	
3	1960	3	21	08:00	510	18.2	
3	1960	3	22	08:00	515	18.3	
3	1960	3	23	08:00	520	18.4	
3	1960	3	24	08:00	525	18.5	
3	1960	3	25	08:00	530	18.6	
3	1960	3	26	08:00	535	18.7	
3	1960	3	27	08:00	540	18.8	
3	1960	3	28	08:00	545	18.9	
3	1960	3	29	08:00	550	19.0	
3	1960	3	30	08:00	555	19.1	
3	1960	3	31	08:00	560	19.2	



BUILDING ACTIVITY

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors, etc. (a)							
	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000
Year 1946	55	32	1,316	1,221	52	82	145	192	1,568	1,527
Year 1947	165	109	2,245	2,380	37	64	164	327	2,611	2,880
Year 1948	514	346	2,544	3,042	49	160	268	431	3,375	3,978
Year 1949	825	693	2,485	3,476	57	215	317	657	3,684	5,041
Year 1950	1,313	1,365	3,331	4,727	41	263	428	651	5,113	7,006
Year 1951	1,913	2,835	4,137	6,969	40	459	433	986	6,523	11,249
Year 1952	2,883	5,824	4,946	11,201	63	667	604	2,424	8,496	19,934
Year 1953	2,988	7,219	4,839	12,624	84	817	714	3,657	8,625	24,317
Year 1954	3,127	8,255	5,044	13,491	111	1,544	844	5,015	9,126	28,305
Year 1955	2,788	8,194	6,422	18,091	129	3,405	933	6,900	10,272	36,590
Year 1956	1,921	5,708	4,773	13,508	97	946	923	7,359	7,714	27,521
1957 -										
March Qr.	287	852	774	2,194	21	263	149	1,798	1,231	5,107
June Qr.	418	1,134	1,071	3,103	27	455	154	1,186	1,670	5,878
Sept. Qr.	275	784	1,396	3,972	28	178	207	1,363	1,906	6,297

(a) Comprises Government Day Labour as well as Private Contractor Operations and includes Shop Dwellings, Flats and Other Residentials excluded from Table (2) hereunder.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(includes Owner-Built Homes)

Period	Houses Completed - Classified According to Materials of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Concrete, etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000
Year 1946	578	640	186	140	373	296	227	172	1,364	1,248
Year 1947	1,114	1,365	257	196	966	862	62	47	2,399	2,470
Year 1948	1,252	1,715	326	249	1,436	1,348	29	22	3,043	3,334
Year 1949	1,449	2,235	228	191	1,571	1,649	42	43	3,290	4,118
Year 1950	1,709	2,882	337	311	2,262	2,572	55	48	4,363	5,813
Year 1951	2,155	4,560	453	525	2,933	4,241	190	218	5,731	9,544
Year 1952	3,006	8,097	745	1,609	3,844	6,678	135	263	7,730	16,647
Year 1953	2,676	8,417	976	2,657	3,966	8,277	24	54	7,642	19,405
Year 1954	2,865	9,767	214	530	4,823	10,833	4	4	7,906	21,134
Year 1955	3,268	11,775	225	621	5,271	12,614	8	17	8,772	25,027
Year 1956	3,017	10,491	62	175	2,964	6,864	4	9	6,047	17,539
1957 -										
March Qr.	610	2,025	3	7	407	890	1	2	1,021	2,924
June Qr.	845	2,768	10	20	576	1,295	1	1	1,432	4,084
Sept. Qr.	1,012	3,223	5	11	601	1,405	2	3	1,626	4,642

GOLD PRODUCTION

Item	NOVEMBER		Eleven Months ended NOVEMBER	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
<u>GOLD</u>				
Quantity Fine ozs.	65,700	64,113	779,783	747,348
Value (Aust. Currency)* £.	1,026,570	1,001,763	12,184,106	11,677,306
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies £.	425,949	400,948	1,797,511	1,733,771

\* Excludes additional premiums on gold sold by Gold Producers' Association Ltd.



RETAIL PRICES INDEX NUMBERS

(Base of Each Series: Weighted Average of Six Capitals for 1923/27 - 1000)

Centre	Food and Groceries				"C" Series			
	SEPTEMBER Quarter		Twelve Months ended SEPTEMBER		SEPTEMBER Quarter		Twelve Months ended SEPTEMBER	
	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956
Metropolitan Area	3078	3063	3064	2970	2746	2680	2725	2626
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	3188	3216	3234	3130	2624	2579	2625	2539
Northam	3164	3115	3158	2996	2716	2607	2681	2552
Bunbury	3155	3101	3141	3024	2761	2687	2738	2631
Geraldton	3264	3182	3228	3054	2936	2849	2906	2796
Collie	3201	3135	3173	3048	2519	2450	2496	2410

ESTIMATED TOTAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excluding Rural and Private Domestic)

Month	1956			1957		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
January	136,330	43,687	180,017	134,232	43,806	178,038
February	137,946	44,627	182,573	134,594	44,839	179,433
March	137,563	44,762	182,325	134,816	45,022	179,838
April	136,859	44,848	181,707	134,587	44,505	179,092
May	136,208	45,034	181,242	134,124	44,691	178,815
June	135,482	44,565	180,047	133,650	44,159	177,809
July	134,639	44,545	179,184	133,311	44,323	177,634
August	134,685	44,019	178,704	133,411	44,457	177,868
September	134,431	44,167	178,598	133,669	44,815	178,484
October	134,494	44,189	178,683			
November	134,756	44,368	179,124			
December	134,699	44,623	179,322			

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

Month	Factories (Base: 1928/29 (19,799 Employees = 100))				
	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
January	213	226	237	241	234
February	217	228	240	241	234
March	220	231	242	240	235
April	221	230	243	239	234
May	222	231	242	238	235
June	220	230	239	235	233
July	221	230	238	233	232
August	221	230	239	232	232
September	223	232	241	233	234
October	224	233	241	234	
November	227	234	243	234	
December	227	233	242	235	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1956 are preliminary.





STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area		South-West Land Division		Goldfields and Rest of State	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
28/10/57	13. 12. 9	8. 17. 3	13. 11. 5	8. 16. 5	13. 6. 7	8. 13. 3

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY - METROPOLITAN AREA

(Generated by W.A. Government Power Stations)

Particulars	NOVEMBER		Five Months ended NOVEMBER	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
Units Generated (1000 K.W.H.)	46,372	44,182	235,515	226,364
Units Sent Out (1000 K.W.H.)	42,243	39,818	212,787	204,778

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERING IN PRINCIPAL ESTABLISHMENTS

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
October, 1957	7,210	546	210,875	18,001
October, 1956	7,564	455	203,715	14,753
4 Months ended October, 1957	50,941	1,963	543,235	64,420
4 Months ended October, 1956	51,644	1,649	538,436	46,758

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

(Note - Excludes non-casualty accidents where damage was estimated to be £10 or less)

Period	Non Casualty Accidents (Damage over £10)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents Reported		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year 1953	4,074	1,463	2,024	882	6,098	2,345	99	93	2,430	1,234
Year 1954	5,072	1,824	2,415	874	7,487	2,698	96	89	3,028	1,281
Year 1955	5,878	2,029	2,237	921	8,115	2,950	110	89	2,669	1,318
Year 1956	5,866	2,095	2,161	875	8,027	2,970	102	80	2,653	1,236
1957 -										
January	405	185	169	94	574	279	3	7	228	118
February	408	144	183	76	591	220	5	3	220	104
March	520	182	192	84	712	266	8	7	219	118
April	493	197	174	90	667	287	10	3	227	123
May	542	185	192	64	734	249	6	8	217	83
June	618	202	192	94	810	296	12	7	239	125
July	558	190	199	62	757	252	5	4	231	81
August	622	186	193	81	815	267	5	9	238	110
September	454	165	160	58	614	223	8	1	177	85
October	497	176	213	84	710	260	4	3	271	123
Total Ten Months ended October	5,117	1,812	1,867	787	6,984	2,599	66	52	2,267	1,070

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MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS (SUBJECT TO REVISION)

Item	Unit	NOVEMBER		Five Months ended NOVEMBER	
		1957	1956	1957	1956
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	no.	445	249	2,486	2,564
Bricks - Cement	'000	108	197	1,013	975
- Clay	'000	9,952	8,502	47,155	39,619
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq.yd.	127	129	700	537
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,313	2,058	12,215	9,846
Ready Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gal.	30,928	32,644	131,257	125,778
Tiles, roofing - Cement	'000	668	346	3,432	2,165
Timber, Sawn	'000 sup.ft.	(a) 18,530	(a) 20,274	(b) 72,606	(b) 76,436
<u>Clothing</u>					
Cardigans and Pullovers	doz.	1,028	855	4,817	3,775
Raincoats (inc. Oilskins)					
Men's and Boys'	no.	113	734	753	1,312
Shirts (all types) Men's and Boys'	doz.	4,608	5,601	25,736	23,132
Sports Coats - Men's	no.	483	527	1,940	2,633
Suits - Men's - 3 piece	no.	83	189	566	1,023
- 2 piece	no.	1,791	2,180	8,767	9,292
Trousers - Men's - Sport	no.	5,663	6,079	24,741	25,849
- Work	no.	13,565	14,715	68,129	72,658
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots and Shoes(all types)	pair	25,162	29,338	145,959	156,293
Sandals	pair	29,374	21,648	93,705	108,023
Slippers	pair	34,564	37,663	120,728	179,406
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	621	611	2,864	3,004
Butter	'000 lb.	2,051	2,290	10,655	11,020
Cheese	'000 lb.	362	383	1,577	1,612
Jams	'000 lb.	46	33	283	254
Margarine	'000 lb.	108	111	582	673
Sauce - Tomato	Imperial pint	60,914	53,939	357,603	361,467
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acids - Acetic	cwt.	891	758	3,385	3,143
- Hydrochloric	cwt.	204	116	673	635
- Nitric	cwt.	30	56	182	282
- Sulphuric	ton	21,403	13,697	84,985	69,774
Coal	ton	78,209	71,648	395,998	394,392
Cycles, Pedal	no.	716	809	1,788	2,654
Gas Produced	million cu. ft.	115	118	632	650
Iron (Pig Iron)	ton	1,180	1,237	5,870	5,859
Mattresses - Inner Spring	no.	2,360	2,124	11,396	10,512
- Woven Wire	no.	805	974	11,821	12,209
- Soft Filled	no.	3,004	3,209	15,402	15,248
Motor Vehicle Bodies - Truck Trays	no.	53	43	180	213
Utilities (all types)	no.	1	1	11	12
Trailers (all types)	no.	7	10	46	49
Perambulators	no.	82	61	347	249
Soap and Soap Substitutes	cwt.	6,838	6,222	32,530	32,865
Superphosphate	ton	58,366	37,600	234,751	189,952
Wool Scoured	'000 lb.	2,581	2,143	10,911	10,163

(a) October figures. November not available.

(b) Four months ended October.



VALUE OF RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

The figures in the table below relate to goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) sold to the public by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards). The table contains particulars of retail sales of goods for the years 1948-49, 1952-53 and 1956-57, on a comparable basis. The figures for the years 1948-49 and 1952-53 were obtained from Censuses taken in respect of those years, whereas particulars for the other periods shown are estimates based on sample surveys.

(& Million)

Period (a)	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food (b)	Beer, Wine, Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Piecegoods & Footwear	Hardware, China and Glassware (c)	Electrical Goods and Radios	Furniture and Floor Coverings	Other Goods (d)	Total Excluding Motor Vehicles, etc.	Motor Vehicles Parts, Petrol (e)
<u>YEARS</u>											
1948-49	10.8	4.0	7.1	8.5	14.3	3.8	2.4	3.0	10.8	64.7	13.7
1952-53	20.7	8.2	13.7	14.4	24.1	9.3	6.1	5.2	25.6	127.3	37.3
1956-57	27.9	11.1	18.8	16.5	27.8	11.2	7.4	6.0	29.1	155.8	49.3
<u>QUARTERS</u>											
March Qtr.											
1954	5.3	2.2	3.7	4.4	5.5	2.4	1.6	1.3	6.6	33.0	10.0
1955	6.3	2.2	4.1	4.1	5.9	2.5	1.8	1.4	7.0	35.3	11.9
1956	6.6	2.4	4.8	4.5	5.8	2.5	2.1	1.4	6.8	36.9	12.8
1957	6.7	2.7	4.8	4.6	5.9	2.7	1.8	1.4	7.0	37.6	12.3
June Qtr.											
1954	5.8	2.4	3.7	3.6	7.3	2.6	1.4	1.5	7.3	35.6	11.7
1955	6.4	2.4	3.8	3.5	7.3	2.6	1.5	1.5	7.2	36.2	13.0
1956	6.9	2.6	4.3	3.5	7.3	2.8	1.6	1.4	7.1	37.5	11.3
1957	7.1	2.9	4.8	3.9	7.3	2.9	1.8	1.5	7.2	39.4	13.3
Sept. Qtr.											
1954	6.2	2.4	4.0	3.6	6.5	2.5	1.6	1.6	7.2	35.6	13.0
1955	6.5	2.5	4.4	3.3	6.7	2.7	1.8	1.6	7.0	36.5	12.9
1956	6.9	2.8	4.4	3.6	6.5	2.6	1.6	1.5	6.8	36.7	11.2
Dec. Qtr.											
1954	6.6	2.3	4.2	4.0	7.8	2.9	2.3	1.6	8.2	39.9	12.7
1955	6.8	2.5	4.7	4.2	8.0	3.0	2.6	1.7	8.5	42.0	14.2
1956	7.2	2.7	4.8	4.4	8.1	3.0	2.2	1.6	8.1	42.1	12.5

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1953, are subject to revision. (b) Includes Fresh Fruit and Vegetables, Confectionery, Soft Drinks, Ice Cream, Cakes, Pastry, Cooked Provisions, Fish, etc., but excludes most delivered Milk and some delivered Bread. (c) Excludes Basic Building Materials (e.g. Timber, Roofing Tiles, Bricks, etc.). (d) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, etc., Newspapers, Books and Stationery, Chemists' Goods, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc. (e) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth Moving Equipment, etc.



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## AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

(This information is extracted from records relating to approximately 25% of Total Sales)

## FRUIT

Item	Unit	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	32. 0	21. 9	21. 5	15. 3	12. 10	9. 8	8. 3	8. 2	10. 2	12. 0		
Oranges - Navel	bushel	-	-	-	-	30. 2	19. 4	19. 7	23. 5	27. 1	32. 4		
- Valencia	bushel	27. 2	27. 6	33. 9	39. 5	27. 0	27. 0	24. 2	18. 2	22. 1	21. 1		
Bananas - Local	lb.	1. 4	1. 2	1. 4	1. 5	1. 4	1. 4	1. 11	2. 1	1. 11	1. 7		
Apples - Granny Smith	bushel	20. 0	19. 8	14. 5	19. 10	24. 3	25. 9	27. 3	32. 6	42. 6	44. 9		
- Other	bushel	21. 5	17. 11	16. 10	22. 8	23. 8	24. 5	27. 1	32. 8	42. 0	46. 5		
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	20. 9	15. 9	15. 8	21. 11	20. 2	18. 9	23. 8	30. 0	38. 0	-		
Apricots	bush.	26. 9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Nectarines	bush.	24. 11	25. 1	25. 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Plums	bush.	19. 6	16. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	25. 5	36. 11	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Peaches	bush.	18. 5	18. 8	19. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Grapes	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	17. 0	20. 4	24. 9	27. 4	24. 11	28. 6	-	-	-	-		

## VEGETABLES

Item	Unit	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Cabbage	50 lb. crate	3. 8	6. 10	5. 8	6. 4	5. 6	5. 11	12. 7	11. 11	13. 5	5. 10		
Cauliflowers	dozen	-	27. 0	21. 8	17. 0	11. 11	7. 2	19. 4	14. 9	7. 0	9. 6		
Lettuce	crate	5. 9	6. 5	7. 10	8. 3	6. 9	8. 0	15. 1	11. 9	11. 8	17. 0		
Table Celery	dozen head	6. 4	4. 9	6. 6	4. 7	6. 5	5. 6	4. 3	9. 10	10. 6	7. 11		
Beetroot	cwt.	16. 8	27. 7	28. 3	21. 2	20. 1	17. 0	29. 7	43. 7	49. 5	44. 3		
Carrots	cwt.	20. 6	39. 10	46. 7	56. 8	45. 6	31. 2	39. 10	35. 9	42. 3	40. 7		
Parsnips	cwt.	69. 2	86. 1	111. 0	105. 9	84. 9	65. 9	73. 5	67. 0	68. 8	42. 10		
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt bag	6. 3	8. 2	8. 2	6. 8	7. 6	5. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	7. 9	8. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	11. 2	4. 7		
Swedes	cwt.	32. 9	67. 2	64. 1	74. 6	41. 9	29. 9	30. 6	31. 3	32. 2	31. 2		
Runner Beans	lb.	5	9	11	7	6	9	1. 11	2. 1	1. 3	10		
Peas	lb.	1. 7	2. 1	1. 11	1. 4	1. 5	1. 9	2. 1	1. 4	11	9		
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	5	3	3	3	4	5	4	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4		
Pumpkin	bag	23. 3	18. 10	16. 1	16. 8	14. 3	15. 4	16. 1	16. 3	21. 11	19. 9		
Tomatoes	$\frac{5}{8}$ bush.	9. 4	11. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	13. 1	19. 5	15. 6	11. 9	15. 6	20. 10	18. 8	46. 0		
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		
Onions (a)	ton	36. 0. 0	36. 0. 0	37. 3. 0	40. 0. 0	41. 8. 0	45. 0. 0	45. 0. 0	+	+	+		
Potatoes (b)	ton	41. 15. 0	41. 15. 0	41. 15. 0	40. 5. 0	40. 5. 0	40. 5. 0	40. 5. 0	40. 5. 0	40. 5. 0	40. 5. 0 <sup>p</sup>		

(a) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants delivered Metropolitan Area. + No local onions available.

(b) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants F.O.R. Perth.

<sup>p</sup> £32.0.0 per ton as from 28th October.



AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES (MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS)

(This information is extracted from records relating to approximately 50% of Total Sales)

LIVESTOCK

Item	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
<u>Good Quality Sheep</u>				v								
Suckers	-	-	-	-	4. 8. 0	4.17. 0	4.12. 0	4. 7. 4	4. 4.10	3.17. 9		
Lambs in Wool	3.18. 0	4. 6. 8	4.11. 8	5. 7. 0	5.12. 5	6. 2. 7	4.16. 0	4. 7. 2	-	-		
- Shorn	-	-	-	4. 4. 0	4. 1. 7	4.19. 5	4. 9. 5	3.13. 7	3.14. 3	3. 9. 5		
Hoggets in Wool	3.16. 8	4. 4. 8	4. 7. 8	4. 9.10	4.18. 8	5.12. 5	4.17. 3	3.17. 5	-	-		
- Shorn	-	-	-	-	3.12.10	5. 3. 7	3. 4. 3	-	-	-		
Ewes in Wool	2.17. 0	3. 7. 8	3. 6. 3	4. 1.10	4.16. 3	5. 5. 3	4.18. 8	4. 8. 2	-	-		
- Shorn	-	-	-	2. 4. 0	3. 2. 3	4. 2. 3	3. 6. 0	2.11. 7	2. 6. 5	1.18. 2		
Wethers in Wool	3.17. 5	4. 3. 5	4. 3.10	4.16.10	5. 7.10	6. 7. 7	5. 6. 5	4. 3. 5	-	-		
- Shorn	-	-	-	2.18. 7	3. 7. 7	3.14. 5	3.14. 5	3. 3.11	2.16. 7	2.10.10		
<u>Good Quality Cattle</u>												
Baby Beef	29. 9. 0	27.13. 5	29. 9.10	34. 7. 7	40. 5. 5	40. 2. 0	39.14. 3	35.13. 4	32. 2. 2	29. 6. 0		
Heifers	31. 2. 5	30.19. 3	34.15. 5	41.19.10	46. 0.10	46. 7.10	43.13. 3	39. 2.10	36. 0. 5	34. 7. 7		
Cows	41.10. 3	35. 7. 3	40.14. 5	45. 0.10	47.16. 3	47. 9. 3	48.16.10	39.15. 2	38.14. 6	36. 8.10		
Steers	40. 3. 7	38. 8. 5	46.10.10	50.13. 7	53.15. 0	52. 9. 3	52. 7. 3	47.11. 9	44.14. 9	41. 4. 7		
Bullocks	46.10. 7	44. 4.10	44.13. 3	57. 1. 0	54. 8.10	52. 7. 7	50.17.10	45.19. 0	43.11.10	45. 7. 4		
<u>Good Quality Pigs</u>												
Slips	6. 8. 7	6.14. 3	6. 6. 5	5.12. 5	5. 6. 0	4.14. 0	4.16. 3	3.17. 3	3.15. 3	3. 7. 4		
Porkers	10.18. 7	10. 3.10	9.16. 3	10.16. 0	9.13. 1	9. 4. 7	8.15. 1	8.12. 7	7.16. 8	7.10.10		
Baconers	17.10. 3	17. 0.10	17. 0.10	16.16. 7	15.17. 0	15.17. 5	14.15. 0	14. 0. 8	13. 3. 8	12. 6. 8		

